NUVEEN SENIOR INCOME FUND

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> PORTFOLIO OF INVESTMENTS (Unaudited) NUVEEN SENIOR INCOME FUND (NSL) October 31, 2002

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PRINCIPAL AMOUNT (000)	DESCRIPTION	MOODY'S	S
	VARIABLE RATE SENIOR LOAN INTERESTS(1) AND INTEREST		
	BEARING SECURITIES - 154.3% (89.4% OF TOTAL ASSETS)		
	AEROSPACE/DEFENSE - 11.7% (6.8% OF TOTAL ASSETS)		
\$ 4,924	DeCrane Aircraft Holdings, Inc., Term Loan D	B2	В
10,802	The Fairchild Corporation, Term Loan B	B1	В
4,549	United Defense Industries, Inc., Term Loan B	Ba3	В
1,145	Vought Aircraft Industries, Inc., Term Loan A	NR	N
388	Vought Aircraft Industries, Inc., Term Loan B	NR	N
161	Vought Aircraft Industries, Inc., Term Loan C	NR	N
3,720 	Vought Aircraft Industries, Inc., Term Loan X	NR 	N
	ANTONOMINE O OO /F 10 OF TOTAL ACCUMAN		
1 004	AUTOMOTIVE - 8.8% (5.1% OF TOTAL ASSETS)	ND	
1,224	Federal-Mogul Corporation, Term Loan A (b)	NR	N.
5,551	Federal-Mogul Corporation, Term Loan B (b)	NR	1
3,250	Metaldyne Company/Metalync Company, LLC, Term Loan D	B1	E
9,318	MetalForming Technologies, Inc., Term Loan B	NR B2	1
1,014 5,381	Tenneco Auto, Inc., Revolver Loan Tenneco Auto, Inc., Term Loan A	B2	E E
	BEVERAGE, FOOD & TOBACCO - 15.0% (8.5% OF TOTAL ASSETS)		
2,000	Agrilink Foods Inc., Term Loan B	Ba3	В
1 , 576	Cott Corporation, Purchase Money Term Loan	NR	E
183	Cott Corporation, Working Capital Term Loan	NR	E
3,990	Dean Foods Company, Term Loan B	Ba2	E
7,168	Dr. Pepper/Seven UP Bottling Group, Inc., Term Loan B	NR	N
1,897	Eagle Family Foods, Inc., Term Loan	B1	Е
3,141	Flowers Foods, Inc., Term Loan B	Ba2	E
1,975	Interstate Brands Corporation, Term Loan B	Ba1	E
3,287	Merisant Company, Term Loan B	Ba3	Ε
5 , 500 	Pinnacle Foods Corporation, Term Loan	Ba3 	E
	BROADCASTING/CABLE - 3.1% (1.8% OF TOTAL ASSETS)		
2,000	Century Cable Holdings, LLC, Discretionary Term Loan (b)	NR	N
1,640	Century Cable Holdings, LLC, Revolver (b)	NR	N.
2,000	Century Cable Holdings, LLC, Revolver (b)	NR	N
3,317	Charter Communications Operating, LLC, Incremental Term Loan	B1	E
	BROADCASTING/RADIO - 3.1% (1.8% OF TOTAL ASSETS)		
4,667	Citadel Broadcasting Company, Term Loan B	NR	N
1,737	Emmis Communications Company, Term Loan B	Ba2	E

	BROADCASTING/TELEVISION - 1.0% (0.6% OF TOTAL ASSETS)		
2,000	Gray Television, Term Loan B	Ba3	
	BUILDINGS & REAL ESTATE - 1.9% (1.1% OF TOTAL ASSETS)		
2,000	URS Corporation, Term Loan B	Ba3	
1,980 	Williams Scotsman, Inc., Term Loan	B1 	
	CARGO TRANSPORTATION - 3.9% (2.3% OF TOTAL ASSETS)		
8 , 190	North American Van Lines, Inc., Term Loan B	B1	
	CHEMICALS, PLASTICS, & RUBBER - 6.1% (3.6% OF TOTAL ASSETS)		
4,942	Buckeye Technologies, Inc., Revolver Loan	NR	
1,366	CP Kelco ApS, Inc., Term Loan B	В3	
456	CP Kelco ApS, Inc., Term Loan C	В3	
1,923	Ineos US Finance, LLC, Term Loan C	Ba3	
1,995	OM Group, Inc., Term Loan C	Ba3	
2 , 893	Resolution Performance Products, LLC, Term Loan B	B1 	
	CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS - 2.2% (1.3% OF TOTAL ASSETS)		
4,489	Mueller Group, Inc., Term Loan E	B1	
	CONTAINERS, PACKAGING & GLASS - 9.9% (5.7% OF TOTAL ASSETS)		
3,650	Graham Packaging Company, Term Loan B	B2	
3,024	Graham Packaging Company, Term Loan C	B2	
1,995	Greif Bros. Corporation, Term Loan C	Ba3	
4,846	Smurfit-Stone Container Corporation, Term Loan B	ВаЗ	
2,154	Smurfit-Stone Container Corporation, Term Loan C	Ba3	
1,835	United States Can Company, Term Loan A	B2	
3,961 	United States Can Company, Term Loan B	B2	
	DIVERSIFIED MANUFACTURING - 9.6% (5.6% OF TOTAL ASSETS)		
2,204	Blount, Inc., Term Loan B	В3	
6,049	Dayco Products, LLC, Term Loan B	ВаЗ	
6,505	Flowserve Corporation, Term Loan C	Ba3	
2 020		~ 0	
2,932	GenTek, Inc., Term Loan C (b)	Caa2	
5 , 390 	Western Industries Holding, Inc., Term Loan B	NR 	
	ECOLOGICAL - 0.3% (0.2% OF TOTAL ASSETS)		
630	Stericycle, Inc., Term Loan B	B1	
3,908	FARMING & AGRICULTURAL - 1.9% (1.1% OF TOTAL ASSETS) Shemin Holdings Corporation, Term Loan B	NR	
· 	HEALTHCARE - 3.1% (1.8% OF TOTAL ASSETS)		
4,500	Community Health Systems, Inc., Term Loan B	NR	
1,978	Triad Hospitals, Inc., Term Loan B	Ba3	

	HOTELS, MOTELS, INNS & GAMING - 19.0% (10.9% OF TOTAL ASSETS)		
3,980	Alliance Gaming Corporation, LLC, Term Loan	B1	B+
2,937	Ameristar Casino, Inc., Term Loan B	Ba3	BE
1,361	Extended Stay America, Inc., Term Loan B	ВаЗ	BE
2,988	Las Vegas Sands, Inc., Term Loan B	NR	B+
3,200	Mandalay Resort Group, Bond, 6.750%	Ba3	BE
7,000	Mandalay Resort Group, Term Loan	NR	NF
3,058	MGM Grand, Bond, 6.950%	Ba1	BE
4,193	Park Place Entertainment, Bond, 7.875%	Ba2	BE
3,285	Park Place Entertainment, Revolver	NR	BE
7,674 1,435	Wyndham International, Inc., Increasing Rate Loan Wyndham International, Inc., Term Loan B	NR NR	B- B-
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9,957	Conseco, Inc., Term Loan	NR	NF
4,800	GAB Robbins North America, Inc., Term Loan B	NR	NF
	LEISURE & ENTERTAINMENT - 4.3% (2.5% OF TOTAL ASSETS)		
3 , 156	Fitness Holdings Worldwide, Inc., Term Loan B	NR	В
6,000 	Fitness Holdings Worldwide, Inc., Term Loan C	NR 	В
	NATURAL RESOURCES/OIL & GAS - 3.2% (1.8% OF TOTAL ASSETS)		
4,872	Tesoro Petroleum Corp., Term Loan A	Ba3	ВЕ
2,872	Tesoro Petroleum Corp., Term Loan B	ВаЗ	BE
7 655	NON-DURABLE CONSUMER PRODUCTS - 5.4% (3.2% OF TOTAL ASSETS) Norwood Promotional Products, Inc., Term Loan A	ND	NIT
7,655 5,207	Norwood Promotional Products, Inc., Term Loan B	NR NR	NE
1,459	Norwood Promotional Products, Inc., Term Loan C	NR NR	NF NF
3,980	Playtex Products, Inc., Term Loan C	Ba3	BE
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12 (02	PAPER & FOREST PRODUCTS - 1.3% (0.8% OF TOTAL ASSETS)		
12,683	California Pollution Control Financing Authority, CanFibre of Riverside Project, Bonds (a)(b)(d)	NR	NF
6,849	California Pollution Control Financing Authority, CanFibre	TATZ	INT
0,043	of Riverside Project, Bonds (a) (b) (d)	NR	NF
7,000	CanFibre of Lackawana, LLC, Construction Loan (a) (b) (c) (e)	NR NR	NF NF
1,200	CanFibre of Lackawana, LLC, First Stabilization Fund	IATA	1/1/
_,	Letter of Credit (a) (b) (c) (e)	NR	NF
10,000	CanFibre of Riverside, Inc., Equity Contribution	=:=:	141
,	Letter of Credit (a) (b) (c) (d)	NR	NF
533	CanFibre of Riverside, Inc., Working Capital Loan (a) (b) (c) (d)	NR	NF
3 , 970	PERSONAL & MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES - 4.2% (2.4% OF TOTAL ASSETS) Adams Outdoor Advertising Limited Partnership, Term Loan B	В1	B+
			BE BE
			BE
•	-		BE
2,000 1,683 997	Lamar Media Corp., Incremental Loan C Weight Watchers International, Inc., Term Loan B Weight Watchers International, Inc., Term Loan C	Ba2 Ba1 Ba1	

	PRINTING & PUBLISHING - 7.3% (4.2% OF TOTAL ASSETS)		
6,853	American Media Operations, Inc., Term Loan C	ВаЗ	B-
5,000	Media News Group, Term Loan	NR	NF
3 , 955		NR 	В
4 , 988	RESTAURANTS & FOOD SERVICE - 2.4% (1.4% OF TOTAL ASSETS) Dominos Pizza, Inc., Term Loan B	Ba3	BB
4,575	RETAIL/CATALOG - 1.5% (0.9% OF TOTAL ASSETS) Micro Warehouse, Inc., Term Loan B	NR	NR
	RETAIL/SPECIALTY - 1.9% (1.1% OF TOTAL ASSETS)		
3,942	Rite Aid Corporation, Term Loan A	В2	BB
	RETAIL/STORES - 1.4% - (0.8% OF TOTAL ASSETS)		
4,605	Kmart Corporation, Revolver (a) (b)	NR	NR
1,906	SDM Corporation, Term Loan F	Ba1	BB
	TELECOMMUNICATIONS/CELLULAR/PCS - 4.6% (2.7% OF TOTAL ASSETS)		
484	Airgate PCS, Inc., Tranche I Loan	NR	NR
4,586		NR	NR
9 , 250	Centennial Cellular Operating Company, LLC, Term Loan A	B1 	B+
	TELECOMMUNICATIONS/COMPETITIVE LOCAL EXCHANGE CARRIER (CLEC) - 0.9% (0.5% OF TOTAL ASSETS)		
3,743	RCN Corporation, Term Loan B	Caa1	CC
5 , 000	WCI Capital Corporation, Term Loan B (a)(b)	NR	NR
5,000	TELECOMMUNICATIONS/HYBRID - 2.1% (1.2% OF TOTAL ASSETS) Nextel Communications, Inc., Term Loan A	Ba3	BB
	TELECOMMUNICATIONS/WIRELESS MESSAGING - 0.4%		
	(0.3% OF TOTAL ASSETS)		
920	Arch Wireless Holding, Inc., Senior Subordinated		
E70	Secured Notes	NR	NR
578	Arch Wireless Holding, Inc., Subordinated Secured Compounding Notes (a)	NR	NR
3,639		NR	NR
	TRANSPORTATION/RAIL MANUFACTURING - 1.2% (0.7% OF TOTAL ASSETS)		
2,544	Kansas City Southern Railway Company, Term Loan B	Ba1	BB
	UTILITIES - 5.0% (2.9% OF TOTAL ASSETS)		

2,363	AES EDC Funding II, LLC, Term Loan	NR	N			
3 , 900	TNP Enterprises, Inc., Term Loan	Ba2	B!			
5,000 	Westar Energy, Term Loan B	NR 	N			
	Total Variable Rate Senior Loan Interests and Interest Bearing	Securities (cost \$3			
SHARES (000)	DESCRIPTION					
	EQUITIES - 1.6% (0.9% OF TOTAL ASSETS)					
	BUILDINGS & REAL ESTATE - 1.6% (0.9% OF TOTAL ASSETS)					
224	Washington Group International, Inc., Equity Shares (a)					
4 4	Washington Group International, Inc., Warrants, Series A (a) Washington Group International, Inc., Warrants, Series B (a)					
2 -	Washington Group International, Inc., Warrants, Series C (a) Washington Group International, Inc., Residual Unsecured Claim	(a) (f)				
	PAPER & FOREST PRODUCTS - 0.0% (0.0% OF TOTAL ASSETS) CanFibre of Lackawana, LLC, Income Participation Certificates, CanFibre of Riverside, Inc., Income Participation Certificates,					
	TELECOMMUNICATIONS/COMPETITIVE LOCAL EXCHANGE CARRIER (CLEC) - Teligent, Inc., Equity Shares, 50 shares (a)	0.0% (0.0% 0.0%	F TOTAL			
99	TELECOMMUNICATIONS/WIRELESS MESSAGING - 0.0% (0.0% OF TOTAL ASS Arch Wireless Holding, Inc., Equity Shares (a)	SETS)				
	Total Equities (cost \$7,995,410)					
PRINCIPAL AMOUNT (000)	DESCRIPTION					
\$ 31,906	SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS - 15.5% (9.0% OF TOTAL ASSETS) State Street Repurchase Agreement, 1.74%, dated 10/31/02, repurchase price \$31,907,240, collateralized by U.S. Treasury	_				
	Total Short-Term Investments (cost \$31,905,698)					
	Total Investments (cost \$399,640,381) - 171.4% (99.3% OF TOTAL ASSETS)					
	Other Assets Less Liabilities - 0.8%					
	Borrowings Payable - (49.9)%+					
	Taxable Auctioned Preferred Shares, at Liquidation Value - (22.	.3)%				
	Net Assets Applicable to Common Shares - 100%		======			

NR Not rated.

* Bank loans rated below Baa by Moody's Investor Services, Inc. or BBB by Standard & Poor's Group are

considered to be below investment grade.

- ** Senior Loans in the Fund's portfolio generally are subject to mandatory and/or optional prepayment.

 Because of these mandatory prepayment conditions and because there may be significant economic incentives for a Borrower to prepay, prepayments of Senior Loans in the Fund's portfolio may occur. As a result, the actual remaining maturity of Senior Loans held in the Fund's portfolio may be substantially less than the stated maturities shown. The Fund estimates that the actual average maturity of the Senior Loans held in its portfolio will be approximately 18-24 months.
- (1) Senior Loans in which the Fund invests generally pay interest at rates which are periodically redetermined by reference to a base short-term, floating lending rate plus a premium. These base lending rates are generally (i) the lending rate offered by one or more major European banks, such as the London Inter-Bank Offered Rate ("LIBOR"), (ii) the prime rate offered by one or more major United States banks, and (iii) the certificate of deposit rate. Senior loans are generally considered to be restricted in that the Fund ordinarily is contractually obligated to receive approval from the Agent Bank and/or borrower prior to the disposition of a Senior Loan.
- (a) At or subsequent to October 31, 2002, this issue was non-income producing.
- (b) At or subsequent to October 31, 2002, this issue was under the protection of the federal bankruptcy court.
- (c) Position has a zero cost basis and was acquired as part of a workout program.
- (d) On January 1, 2002, CFR Holdings, Inc. (an entity formed by Nuveen for the benefit of the Nuveen Funds owning various interests in CanFibre of Riverside) took possession of the CanFibre of Riverside assets on behalf of the various Nuveen Funds. CFR Holdings, Inc. has determined that a sale of the facility is in the best interest of shareholders and is proceeding accordingly.
- (e) In September of 2002, the Erie County Acquisition Corporation, Inc. (an entity formed by Nuveen for the benefit of the Nuveen Funds owning various interests in CanFibre of Lackawanna) took possession of the CanFibre of Lackawanna assets on behalf of the various Nuveen Funds. Erie County Acquisition Corporation, Inc. has determined that a sale of the facility is in the best interest of shareholders and is proceeding accordingly.
- (f) Anticipates future distributions from equities and warrants.
 - + Borrowings payable as a percentage of total assets is 28.9%.

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

Statement of Assets and Liabilities October 31, 2002 (Unaudited	(f
ASSETS Investments, at market value (cost \$399,640,381) Receivables:	\$353,639,552
Interest	1,825,016
Investments sold	546,313
Other assets	65 , 549
Total assets	356,076,430
LIABILITIES	100 000 000
Borrowings payable Management fees payable	103,000,000 121,886
Taxable Auctioned Preferred Share dividends payable	31,758
Other liabilities	559 , 709
Total liabilities	103,713,353
Taxable Auctioned Preferred Shares, at liquidation value	46,000,000
Net assets applicable to Common Shares	\$206,363,077
Common Shares outstanding	29,746,013
Net asset value per Common Share outstanding (net assets applicable to Common Shares, divided by Common Shares outstanding)	\$ 6.94
NET ASSETS APPLICABLE TO COMMON SHARES CONSIST OF:	
Common Shares, \$.01 par value per share	\$ 297,460
Paid-in surplus Undistributed net investment income	282,629,311 1,225
Accumulated net realized gain (loss) from investments	(30,564,090)
Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of investments	(46,000,829)
Net assets applicable to Common Shares	\$206,363,077
Authorized shares:	77 - 7 - 1 - 1 - 1
Common Taxable Auctioned Preferred	Unlimited Unlimited
See accompanying notes to final Statement of Operations Three Months Ended October 31, 2002 (Ur	
INVESTMENT INCOME	\$ 5,513,800
Interest Fees	83,664
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Total investment income	5,597,464
EXPENSES	
Management fees	776,366
Taxable Auctioned Preferred Shares - auction fees	28,986
Taxable Auctioned Preferred Shares - dividend disbursing	,
agent fees	1,512
Shareholders' servicing agent fees and expenses	3,262
Interest expense	507 , 698
Commitment fees	83,241
Custodian's fees and expenses	71,923
Trustees' fees and expenses	10,082
Professional fees	66 , 909
Shareholders' reports - printing and mailing expenses	20,274
Stock exchange listing fees	4,268
Investor relations expense	15,784
Other expenses	33,539
Total expenses	1,623,844
Custodian fee credit	(1,135)
Expense waivers from the Adviser	(411,017)
Net expenses	1,211,692
Net investment income	4,385,772
REALIZED AND UNREALIZED GAIN (LOSS) FROM INVESTMENTS	
Net realized gain (loss) from investments	(5,460,497)
Change in net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of investments	
Net gain (loss) from investments	(13,010,060)
DISTRIBUTIONS TO TAXABLE AUCTIONED PREFERRED SHAREHOLDERS From net investment income From accumulated net realized gains from investments	(217,122)
Decrease in net assets applicable to Common Shares from distributions to Taxable Auctioned Preferred Shareholders	(217,122)
Net increase (decrease) in net assets applicable to Common Shares from operations	\$ (8,841,410)

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

Statement of Changes in Net Assets (Unaudited)

OPERATIONS

Net investment income Net realized gain (loss) from investments Change in net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of investments

Distributions to Taxable Auctioned Preferred Shareholders: From net investment income From accumulated net realized gains from investments		
Net increase (decrease) in net assets applicable to Common Shar	es from operations	(
DISTRIBUTIONS TO COMMON SHAREHOLDERS From net investment income From accumulated net realized gains from investments		(
Decrease in net assets applicable to Common Shares from distributions to Common Shareholders		(
CAPITAL SHARE TRANSACTIONS Net proceeds from Common Shares issued to shareholders due to reinvestment of distributions		
Net increase (decrease) in net assets applicable to Common Share Net assets applicable to Common Shares at the beginning of peri	res	(1 21
Net assets applicable to Common Shares at the end of period		\$20
Undistributed net investment income at the end of period		\$
Statement of Cash Flows Three Months Ended October 31, 2002 (Un	audited)	
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS APPLICABLE TO COMMON SHARES FROM OPERATIONS	\$ (8,841,410)	
Adjustments to Reconcile the Change in Net Assets Applicable to from Operations to Net Cash provided by Operating Activities: Decrease in investments at value due to net dispositions and change in depreciation Increase in interest receivable Increase in receivable from investments sold Decrease in other assets		
Decrease in management fees payable Increase in Taxable Auctioned Preferred Share dividends payable Increase in other liabilities	(546,313) 78,962 (4,257) 17,776 56,726	
Increase in Taxable Auctioned Preferred Share dividends payable	(546,313) 78,962 (4,257) 17,776 56,726	
Increase in Taxable Auctioned Preferred Share dividends payable Increase in other liabilities Net cash provided by operating activities CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES: Cash distributions paid to Common Shareholders	(546,313) 78,962 (4,257) 17,776 56,726 5,706,159 (5,711,235)	
Increase in Taxable Auctioned Preferred Share dividends payable Increase in other liabilities Net cash provided by operating activities CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:	(546,313) 78,962 (4,257) 17,776 56,726 	

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

Notes to Financial Statements (Unaudited)

1. GENERAL INFORMATION AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Nuveen Senior Income Fund (the "Fund") is a non-diversified, closed-end
management investment company registered under the Investment Company Act of
1940, as amended. The Fund's Common Shares are listed on the New York Stock
Exchange and trade under the ticker symbol "NSL". The Fund was organized as a
Massachusetts business trust on August 13, 1999.

The Fund seeks to provide a high level of current income by investing primarily in senior secured loans whose interest rates float or adjust periodically based on a benchmark interest rate index. The Fund seeks to increase the income available for distribution to Common Shareholders by utilizing financial leverage.

The following is a summary of significant accounting policies followed by the Fund in the preparation of its financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.

Investment Valuation

The prices of senior loans, bonds and other securities in the Fund's investment portfolio are generally provided by one or more independent pricing services approved by the Fund's Board of Trustees. The pricing services typically value exchange-listed securities at the last sale price on that day; and value senior loans, bonds and other securities traded in the over-the-counter market at the mean of the highest bona fide bid and lowest bona fide ask prices when current quotations are readily available. The pricing services value senior loans, bonds and other securities for which current quotations are not readily available at fair value using a wide range of market data and other information and analysis, including the obligor's credit characteristics considered relevant by such pricing service to determine valuations. The Board of Trustees of the Fund has approved procedures which permit Nuveen Institutional Advisory Corp. (the "Advisor"), a wholly owned subsidiary of The John Nuveen Company, to determine the fair value of securities for which the applicable pricing service or services is not providing a price, using market data and other factors such as the obligor's credit characteristics, and to override the price provided by the independent pricing service in certain limited circumstances. Short-term investments which mature within 60 days are valued at amortized cost, which approximates market value.

The senior loans in which the Fund primarily invests are generally not listed on any exchange and the secondary market for those senior loans is comparatively illiquid relative to markets for other fixed income securities. Because of the comparatively illiquid markets for senior loans, the value of a senior loan, determined as described above, may differ significantly from the value that would have been determined had there been an active market for that senior loan.

Investment Transactions

Investment transactions are recorded on a trade date basis.

Investment Income

Interest income, which includes the amortization of premiums and accretion of discounts, is recorded on an accrual basis. Interest income also includes paydown gains and losses on mortgage and asset-backed securities. Facility fees on senior loans purchased are treated as market discounts. Market premiums and discounts are amortized over the expected life of each respective borrowing. Fees consist primarily of amendment fees. Amendment fees are earned as

compensation for evaluating and accepting changes to the original credit agreement.

Income Taxes

The Fund intends to comply with the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code applicable to regulated investment companies and to distribute substantially all of its net investment income to its shareholders. Therefore, no federal income tax provision is required.

Dividends and Distributions to Common Shareholders

The Fund intends to declare and pay monthly income distributions to Common Shareholders. Net realized capital gains from investment transactions, if any, are distributed to shareholders not less frequently than annually. Furthermore, capital gains are distributed only to the extent they exceed available capital loss carryforwards.

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Distributions to Common Shareholders of net investment income, and net realized capital gains are recorded on the ex-dividend date. The amount and timing of distributions are determined in accordance with federal income tax regulations, which may differ from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. Accordingly, temporary over-distributions as a result of these differences may occur and will be classified as either distributions in excess of net investment income and/or distributions in excess of net realized gains from investment transactions, where applicable.

Taxable Auctioned Preferred Shares

The Fund has issued and outstanding 1,840 Series TH \$25,000 stated value Taxable Auctioned Preferred Shares. The dividend rate paid on the Taxable Auctioned Preferred Shares may change every 28 days, as set pursuant to a dutch auction process by the auction agent, and is payable at or near the end of each rate period.

Derivative Financial Instruments

The Fund may invest in certain derivative financial instruments including futures, forward, swap and option contracts, and other financial instruments with similar characteristics. Although the Fund is authorized to invest in such financial instruments, and may do so in the future, it did not make any such investments during the three months ended October 31, 2002.

Repurchase Agreements

In connection with transactions in repurchase agreements, it is the Fund's policy that its custodian take possession of the underlying collateral securities, the fair value of which exceeds the principal amount of the repurchase transaction, including accrued interest, at all times. If the seller defaults, and the fair value of the collateral declines, realization of the collateral by the Fund may be delayed or limited.

Custodian Fee Credit

The Fund has an arrangement with the custodian bank whereby certain custodian fees and expenses are reduced by credits earned on the Fund's cash on deposit with the bank. Such deposit arrangements are an alternative to overnight investments.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of increases and decreases in net assets applicable to Common Shares from operations during the reporting period. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

2. FUND SHARES

There were no Common Share transactions during the three months ended October 31, 2002.

During the fiscal year ended July 31, 2002, 36,948 Common Shares were issued to shareholders due to reinvestment of distributions.

3. INVESTMENT TRANSACTIONS

Purchases and sales of investments (excluding short-term investments) during the three months ended October 31, 2002, aggregated \$55,847,807 and \$48,177,880, respectively.

4. INCOME TAX INFORMATION

The following information is presented on an income tax basis. Differences between amounts for financial statement and federal income tax purposes are primarily due to the treatment of paydown gains and losses on mortgage and asset-backed securities and timing differences in recognizing certain gains and losses on security transactions.

At October 31, 2002, the cost of investments owned was \$399,732,697.

The net unrealized depreciation of investments at October 31, 2002, aggregated \$46,093,145 of which \$2,914,996 related to appreciated securities and \$49,008,141 related to depreciated securities.

The tax components of undistributed ordinary income and net realized gains at July 31, 2002, the Fund's last fiscal year end, were as follows:

Undistributed ordinary income * \$1,558,180
Undistributed net long-term capital gains --

The tax character of distributions paid during the fiscal year ended July 31, 2002, the Fund's last fiscal year end, were designated for purposes of the dividends paid deduction as follows:

Distributions from ordinary income * \$22,353,020
Distributions from net long-term capital gains --

Ordinary income consists of taxable income derived from dividends, interest, and net short-term capital gains, if any.

At July 31, 2002, the Fund's last fiscal year end, the Fund had an unused capital loss carryforward of \$18,283,863 available to be applied against future capital gains, if any. If not applied, the carryforward will expire in the year 2010.

The Fund has elected to defer net realized losses from investments incurred from November 1, 2001 through July 31, 2002 ("post-October losses") in accordance with Federal income tax regulations. The Fund has \$6,727,415 of post-October losses that are treated as having arisen in the following fiscal year.

5. MANAGEMENT FEES AND OTHER TRANSACTIONS WITH AFFILIATES
Under the Fund's investment management agreement with the Adviser, the Fund pays an annual management fee, payable monthly, of .8500 of 1%, which is based upon the average daily managed assets of the Fund. "Managed Assets" means the average daily gross asset value of the Fund, minus the sum of the Fund's accrued and unpaid dividends on any outstanding Taxable Auctioned Preferred Shares and accrued liabilities (other than the principal amount of any borrowings incurred, commercial paper or notes issued by the Fund and the liquidation preference of any outstanding Taxable Auctioned Preferred Shares).

The Adviser has agreed to waive part of its management fees or reimburse certain expenses of the Fund in an amount equal to .45% of the average daily Managed Assets for the period October 29, 1999 (commencement of operations) through October 31, 2004, .35% of the average daily Managed Assets for the year ended October 31, 2005, .25% of the average daily Managed Assets for the year ended October 31, 2006, .15% of the average daily Managed Assets for the year ended October 31, 2007, .10% of the average daily Managed Assets for the year ended October 31, 2008, and .05% of the average daily managed assets for the year ended October 31, 2009. The Adviser has not agreed to reimburse the Fund for any portion of its fees and expenses beyond October 31, 2009.

The management fee compensates the Adviser for overall investment advisory and administrative services and general office facilities. The Adviser has entered into a Sub-Advisory Agreement with Symphony Asset Management ("Symphony"), an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of The John Nuveen Company under which Symphony manages the investment portfolio of the Fund. Symphony is compensated for its services to the Fund from the management fee paid to the Adviser.

The Fund pays no compensation directly to those of its Trustees who are affiliated with the Adviser or to their officers, all of whom receive remuneration for their services to the Fund from the Adviser or its affiliates.

6. COMMITMENTS

Pursuant to the terms of certain of the variable rate senior loan agreements, the Fund had unfunded loan commitments of approximately \$5.9 million as of October 31, 2002. The Fund generally will maintain with its custodian, cash, liquid securities and/or liquid senior loans having an aggregate value at least equal to the amount of unfunded loan commitments.

7. SENIOR LOAN PARTICIPATION COMMITMENTS

The Fund invests primarily in assignments, participations, or acts as a party to the primary lending syndicate of a variable rate senior loan interest to corporations, partnerships, and other entities. If the Fund purchases a participation of a senior loan interest, the Fund would typically enter into a contractual agreement with the lender or other third party selling the participation, but not with the borrower directly. As such, the Fund assumes the credit risk of the Borrower, Selling Participant or other persons interpositioned between the Fund and the Borrower. At October 31, 2002, the Fund held participation commitments with Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc. and Morgan Stanley. At October 31, 2002, the par values of the commitments were \$2 million and \$1.64 million, respectively, while the market values were \$1.3 million and \$1.1 million, respectively.

8. BORROWINGS

2003 (b)

In accordance with its current investment policies, the Fund may utilize financial leverage for investment purposes in an amount currently anticipated to represent approximately 40% of the Fund's total assets, and in no event exceeding 50% of the Fund's total assets.

On May 23, 2000, the Fund entered into a \$150 million commercial paper program with Nuveen Funding, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company whose sole purpose is the issuance of commercial paper. Nuveen Funding, LLC has the authority to issue a maximum of \$150 million of commercial paper, at a discount, with maturities of up to 180 days, the proceeds of which are used to make advances to the Fund. This line of credit is secured by the assets of the Fund. For the three months ended October 31, 2002, the average daily balance of borrowings under the commercial paper program agreement was \$103 million with an average interest rate of 1.96%.

The Fund has entered into a \$155 million revolving credit agreement with Deutsche Bank AG which expires May 2003. Interest on borrowings is charged at a rate of either the Fed Funds rate plus .50%, LIBOR plus .50% or the Prime Rate. An unused commitment fee of .125% is charged on the unused portion of the facility. During the three months ended October 31, 2002, there were no borrowings under the revolving credit agreement and, therefore, there was no outstanding revolving credit balance at October 31, 2002.

Cash paid for interest during the three months ended October 31, 2002, was \$504,926.

9. SUBSEQUENT EVENT - DISTRIBUTIONS TO COMMON SHAREHOLDERS
The Fund declared a dividend distribution of \$0.0470 per Common Share from its net investment income which was paid on December 2, 2002, to shareholders of record on November 15, 2002.

The Fund also declared a dividend distribution of \$.0430 per Common Share from its net investment income which was paid on December 30, 2002, to shareholders of record on December 15, 2002.

10 SUBSEQUENT EVENT - ADVISER AND DISTRIBUTOR NAME CHANGE
Effective January 31, 2003, the Fund's Adviser changed its name from The John
Nuveen Company to Nuveen Investments, Inc. At the same time, the Fund's
Distributor changed its name from Nuveen Investments to Nuveen Investments, LLC.

Financial Highlights (Unaudited)
Selected data for a Common Share outstanding throughout each period:

Beginning Common Share	Net	Net Realized/ Unrealized	Distributions from Net Investment Income	Distributi from Capital Ga	ins
Net Asset	Investment	Investment	Share-	Share-	Cu
Value	Income	Gain (Loss)	holders+	holders+	Total

\$7.38 \$.15 \$ (.44) \$ (.01) \$ --

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2002	8.13	.68	(.71)	(.04)	 (.07)
2001	9.47	1.09	(1.29)	(.09)	 (.29)
2000(a)	9.55	.75	(.12)	(.02)	 .61

				Total Ret
	Offering Costs	Ending Common Share Net Asset Value	Ending Market Value	Based on Market Value**
Year Ended 7/31: 2003(b) 2002	\$ 	\$6.94 7.38	\$6.4200 7.2000	(8.92)% (21.16)
2001 2000(a)	(.03)	8.13 9.47	9.9600 9.6250	15.35 3.21

Ratios/Supplemental Data

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		Before C	redit/Waiver	
	Ending Net Assets Applicable to Common Shares (000)	Ratio of Expenses to Average Net Assets Applicable to Common Shares++	Ratio of Net Investment Income to Average Net Assets Applicable to Common Shares++	
Year Ended 7/31:		=========		
2003 (b) 2002 2001 2000 (a)	\$206,363 219,459 241,641 280,479	3.02%* 3.12 4.32 3.81*	7.40%* 8.20 11.74 9.82*	

Ratios/Supplemental Data

After Credit/Waiver***		
Ratio of Expenses to Average Net Assets Applicable to Common Shares++	Ratio of Net Investment Income to Average Net Assets Applicable to Common Shares++	Portfolio Turnover Rate

Year Ended 7/31:

2003 (b)	2.26%*	8.17%*	15%	
2002	2.37	8.95	64	
2001	3.62	12.44	52	
2000(a)	3.21*	10.42*	40	

- * Annualized.
- ** Total Investment Return on Market Values is the combination of reinvested dividend income, reinvested capital gains distributions, if any, and changes in stock price per share. Total Return on Common Share Net Asset Value is the combination of reinvested dividend income, reinvested capital gains distributions, if any, and changes in Common Share net asset value per share. Total returns are not annualized.
- *** After custodian fee credit and expense waivers from the investment adviser, where applicable.
- + The amounts shown are based on Common Share equivalents.
- ++ Ratios do not reflect the effect of dividend payments to Taxable Auctioned Preferred Shareholders; income ratios reflect income earned on assets attributable to Taxable Auctioned Preferred Shares. Each Ratio of Expenses to Average Net Assets applicable to Common Shares and each Ratio of Net Investment Income to Average Net Assets applicable to Common Shares includes the effect of the interest expense paid on bank borrowings as follows:

- (a) For the period October 29, 1999 (commencement of operations) through July 31, 2000.
- (b) For the three months ended October 31, 2002.

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See accompanying notes to financial statements.